

MINUTES

UTAH Dentist/Dental Hygienists Licensing Board MEETING

April 20, 2007

**Room 210 - 2nd Floor 8:15
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111**

CONVENED: 8:20 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 12:10 p.m.

Bureau Manager
Board Secretary

Daniel T. Jones
Lee Avery

Board Members Present:

Anna Policelli RDH,
Alexander Larsen, DDS
Brent Larson, DDS
Karen Bateman, RDH
Pamela Jolley

Board Members Excused:

Stephen Morgan, DDS
Joseph Mirci, DDS
Brian Lundberg, DDS
James Ence, DDS

Guests

Joleen VanBibber
Alice Warren
Scott Warren
TaAnn Riley
Yun Jeong Robins
Angelique Deming
Dr. Charles E. Foster, DDS
Steven Steed, DDS
Kathy Jo White
Kim Kasparian

DOPL Staff Present:

none

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:
MINUTES:**

The minutes for February 16, 2007 were reviewed.

Ms. Policelli motioned to accept the minutes as is.
The motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS:

The Board briefly discussed Dr. Day's previous requests to be released from probation early. Mr. Jones advised the Board Dr. Day is still interested in selling his dental practice in Utah and moving to Arizona.

John Day, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Day presented himself to the Board. Dr. Larsen conducted the interview. Dr. Day advised the Board he is still going to sell his practice and leave Utah and is asking the Board to release him early from probation. Dr. Day stated he is leaving Utah for personal reasons. The Board noted Dr. Day's probation is scheduled to end May 30, 2008. After talking with Dr. Day in detail the Board asked Dr. Day to submit his request to be released from probation in writing, detailing his reasons/concerns and future plans. Mr. Jones advised Dr. Day he could fax this letter to the Division to his attention. The Board advised Dr. Day it very seldom releases someone from probation early.

In Compliance

Discussion:

After the Board convened from a short break, Dr. Day's requested letter was presented to the Board. Dr. Day cited his intention is to leave Utah for family concerns. The Board noted Dr. Day's probation is scheduled to end May 05, 2008. After discussing the Board's many concerns in detail, Dr. Brent Larson motioned to grant Dr. Day's request to release him from probation as of June 01, 2007. Ms. Bateman opposed, Ms. Policelli abstained. The motion carried.

Richard Hadlock, DDS, Probation
Interview

Dr. Richard Hadlock presented himself to the Board. Dr. Alex Larsen conducted the interview. Mr. Jones advised the Board this will be Dr. Hadlock's last

meeting with it. His probation is scheduled to end May 8, 2007. Dr. Hadlock advised the Board things were going ok. He still works with the Dental Assisting program and has not made any long term plans yet. Dr. Hadlock stated he works two (2) days a week and is considering increasing his work days. The Board reviewed Dr. Hadlock's file and noted a log of his volunteer hours has not been received. After talking with Dr. Hadlock in detail, Dr. Brent Larson motioned to remove Dr. Hadlock from probation upon receipt of the volunteer logs, seconded by Dr. Alex Larsen. The motion carried unanimously.

In Compliance

Kathleen McCombs, DDS, Probation
Interview

Dr. McCombs was unable to keep her appointment with the Board. Mr. Jones advised the Board Dr. McCombs has signed up for training in St. George. Mr. Jones stated Dr. McCombs was the first alternate for this class and needed to be excused from meeting with the Board at this time because there was an opening. Mr. Jones advised the Board he contacted the class representatives and verified this information. Mr. Jones stated Dr. McCombs is working in Salt Lake and is talking about opening another practice.

Rod Gardner, DDS, Probation Interview
Interviewed out of order on the agenda

Dr. Rod Gardner presented himself to the Board. Ms. Bateman conducted the interview. Dr. Gardner advised the Board there have been no changes in his life. He lives in Tremonton and continues raising dog's and commutes about 40 minutes a day to work in Layton. Dr. Gardner advised the Board his work hours alternate every other week. One week his days off are Thursday, Friday and Sunday. The second week his days off are Thursday, Friday Saturday and Sunday, working Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Dr. Gardner advised the Board he was interested in having his controlled substance license reinstated.

The Board expressed its concerns reinstating Dr. Gardner's controlled substance license. Dr. Gardner stated he will attend some continuing education for controlled substances and decide from there. The Board asked to see Dr. Gardner in August 2007. **In Compliance**

Paul Martinez, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Paul Martinez presented himself to the Board. Dr. Alex Larsen conducted the interview. Dr. Martinez advised the Board things were moving smoothly in his practice with the exception of one problem and he contacted Mr. Jones regarding the problem and it was resolved. Dr. Martinez stated he is treating all emergency calls. This philosophy has given him a record profit. In January he had received about one hundred and twenty (120) calls. Dr. Martinez stated his wife still works in the office and he has three (3) assistants. He will be attending a course in New York for additional continuing education. Dr. Martinez advised the Board he continues to see Dr. Brunson and he feels this is a very positive experience for him. Dr. Brunson has been willing to work around Dr. Martinez's baseball coaching schedule. The Board noted Dr. Martinez's is very positive in his demeanor and encouraged him to continue in this direction. The Board asked to see Dr. Martinez August 2007. **In Compliance**

Discussion:

Mr. Jones briefly advised the Board there had been a pharmacist who refused to fill one of Dr. Martinez's prescriptions. Mr. Jones talked with the pharmacist, noting Dr. Martinez's controlled substance license is not restricted and there was no problem with Dr. Martinez prescribing privileges. Mr. Jones noted the pharmacist contacted Dr. Martinez and apologized.

Rodney Slater, DDS, New Probation Interview

Rod Slater presented himself to the Board. Ms. Policelli conducted the interview. Dr. Slater gave the Board a handout including a practice plan, copies of

the support meetings he has attended, continuing education he has completed, an evaluation from Dr. Sledge, and an evaluation from Dr. Dusoe, PhD, LCSW. Dr. Slater advised the Board in August 2007, he hit bottom and realized how serious things were and he finally started admitting he had a problem. Dr. Slater stated he is involved in church family services, meeting two (2) times a month and he sees Dr. Mike Crookston. The Board reviewed the information submitted by Dr. Slater, noting the letter from Dr. Sledge stating Dr. Slater should not have nitrous in the office. Dr. Slater advised the Board the office he currently works in does not keep medication in the office and does not use nitrous. Dr. Slater stated the office staff is aware of the restrictions on his license. Dr. Slater advised the Board he is comfortable working with the emergency care center right now and has no long term plans at this time. Dr. Slater advised the Board some of the continuing education information submitted include tapes he has purchased and reviewed. The Board asked to see Dr. Slater in June 2007. **In compliance**

**BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS
MEETING:**

Finalization of the Supervising Dentist
form and Finalization of the Work Log
form

The Board decided to hold this discussion until its
next meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Report on American Association of Dental
Examiners convention, Ms. Anna
Policelli, RDH.
Covered out of order on the agenda

Ms. Policelli briefly reviewed information covered at
the American Association of Dental Examiners
(AADE) convention, March 2007. Ms. Policelli
advised the Board some of the discussion items were
the National Dental Examiners Advisory Forum
regarding pass/fail grades for Part I (100 item) and
Part II (500 item) test. Ms. Policelli had the graphs
for review. Ms. Policelli also reviewed the new

workforce models the American Dental Association is developing.

Ms. Policelli advised the Board Louisiana and Mississippi require the use of live subject for the examining. New York is the only state to eliminate clinical exam as a requirement for Dental Licensure, effective 2007. They require a residency program, adding a fifth (5th) year of dental school. Ms. Policelli also noted other states where there is the option of passing a clinical exam or completing a residency program are California, Connecticut and Minnesota. Washington State Law provides for a PGY1 CODA, accredited program allowing dentists to practice for a year in a designated shortage area and become licensed.

Application Review:
Covered out of order on the agenda

The Board reviewed the following Applications for Class IV anesthesia permit.

Ryser, Mark, DDS, Class IV application, approved.

Davis, Shawn, DDS, Class IV application, approved.

Broadbent, Michael, DDS Class IV application, approved.

Alvin Stosich, DDS, Class IV application, approved.

McCombs, Kathleen, DDS, Class III application. Mr. Jones advised the Board Dr. McCombs has submitted an application for a class II or III anesthesia permit. Mr. Jones noted Dr. McCombs is qualified for either permit. After discussing its concerns detail, Dr. Brent Larson motioned to deny Dr. McCombs request, pending more information. The Board would like to see Dr. McCombs at its next meeting with the continuing education (CE's) she has completed, copies of her work logs and the Board would like to talk with Dr. McCombs supervising dentist. Mr. Jones stated he would contact Dr. McCombs.

Radiology Course Review
Covered out of order on the agenda

The Board reviewed a radiology course from the Eastern Utah School of Dental Assisting, located in Price Utah. The Board was advised by Ms. Jolene VanBibber this course is currently in conjunction with the Dental Assistant school. And the plans are to develop a stand alone radiology course. The radiology course was approved. Mr. Jones will advise the course director.

The Board reviewed a radiology course from the Provo Academy of Dental Assisting, located at 86 N University Av. Ste 280, Provo Utah. This course was approved. Mr. Jones will advise the course director.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Information Packet from Dental
Organization for Conscious Sedation
(DOCS)
Covered out of order on the agenda

Mr. Jones gave the Board a packet received from the Dental Organization for Conscious Sedation (DOCS). Mr. Jones stated DOCS is offering to bring a Board member to its classes to observe. Mr. Jones noted Dr. Mirci has attended in the past. The Board briefly discussed the DOCS program.

The Board took no action.

Letter from Joint Commission on National
Dental Examinations

The Board briefly reviewed the letter form the Joint Commission on National Examinations. The letter stated the National Board exam will be given at the testing center in the near future. Currently it is taken at the school.

Discussion:

Mr. Jones advised the Board California has established a 'bench graduation' for foreign trained applicants. This exam is different from the

California newly accepted Western Regional Board Exams (WREB). Utah statues do not allow the bench examination for licensure.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Bateman at 12:10 p.m.

ADJOURN:

Board meetings for 2007 have been scheduled:
June 15, July 20, August 17, Sept 21, Oct 19,
Nov 16, Dec 21.

Next Board Meeting:

The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2007

May 18, 2007
Date Approved

(ss) Dr. Brian Lundberg
Chairperson, Dentist Dental Hygienist Licensing Board

May 18, 2007
Date Approved

(ss) Daniel T. Jones
Bureau Manager, Div. of Occupational & Professional Licensing